## CITY OF NEWTON PLANNING DEPARTMENT

## **ACCESSORY STRUCTURES**

## Section 102-234. Accessory Structures.

Accessory structures in a residential zoning district shall conform to the following regulations:

- 1. Detached garages and carports may be constructed or placed in either side yard or the front yard of a principal residential structure, provided they comply with the minimum front and side building setback requirements for the district in which they are to be located.
- 2. Accessory structures, in addition to detached garages and carports, shall be located in the rear yard, provided they do not occupy cumulatively more than thirty (30) per cent of the rear yard and that they be no closer to the rear or side property lines than five (5) feet with the exception of fences which do not exceed eight (8) feet in height.
- 3. Neither a manufactured home nor a recreational vehicle, as defined by this chapter, shall be permitted as a residential accessory structure.
- 4. Fences which do not exceed four (4) feet in height may be constructed in the front yard. Fences which do not exceed eight (8) feet in height may be constructed in either side yard or in the rear yard.
- 5. Swimming pools (in ground) and swimming pools (above ground, regulated) as defined by section 26-2.2 are allowed in rear and side yards. Provided they are able to meet a five feet setback off all property lines. In cases where a deck or other structure(s) are associated with the pool the same setbacks apply, unless specifically otherwise stated within other provisions of this chapter. Swimming pools (in ground) and swimming pools (above ground, regulated) are not generally permitted in front yards. In cases where the front yard setback is measured from the shortest frontage on a corner lot, and the principal structure faces the frontage on another street, swimming pools may be placed in front yards, subject to all other provisions being met.